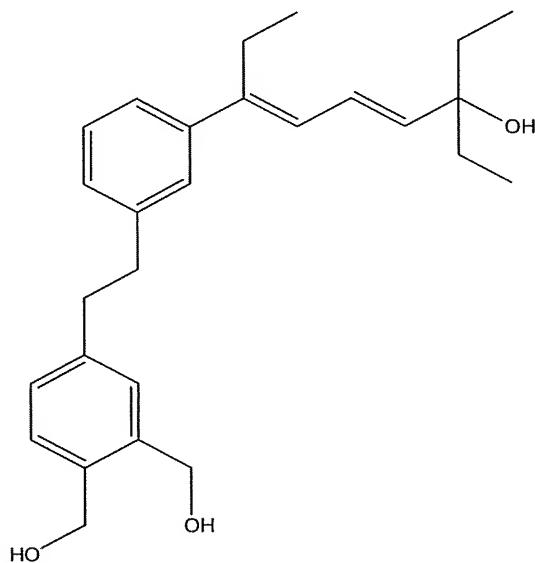


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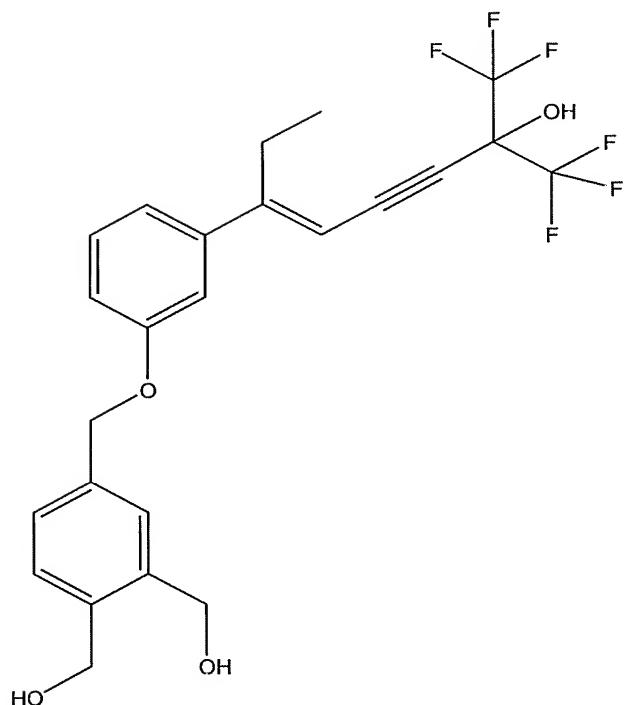
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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

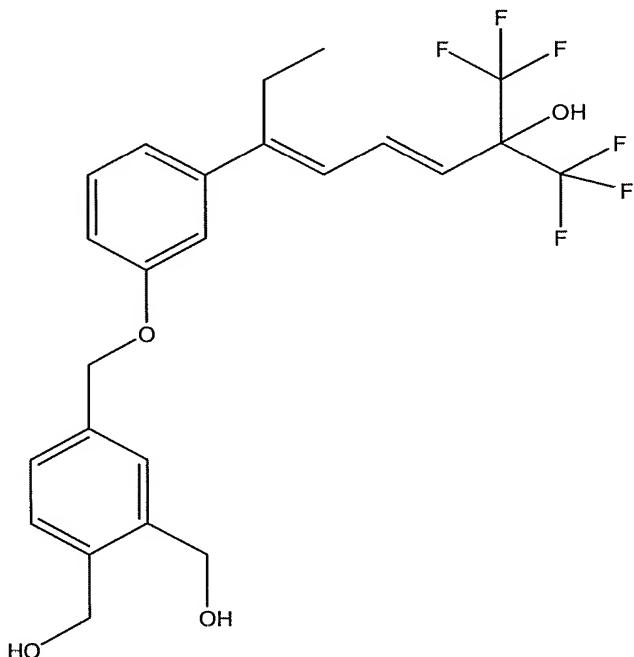
1. (Previously Presented) A compound selected from the group consisting of:
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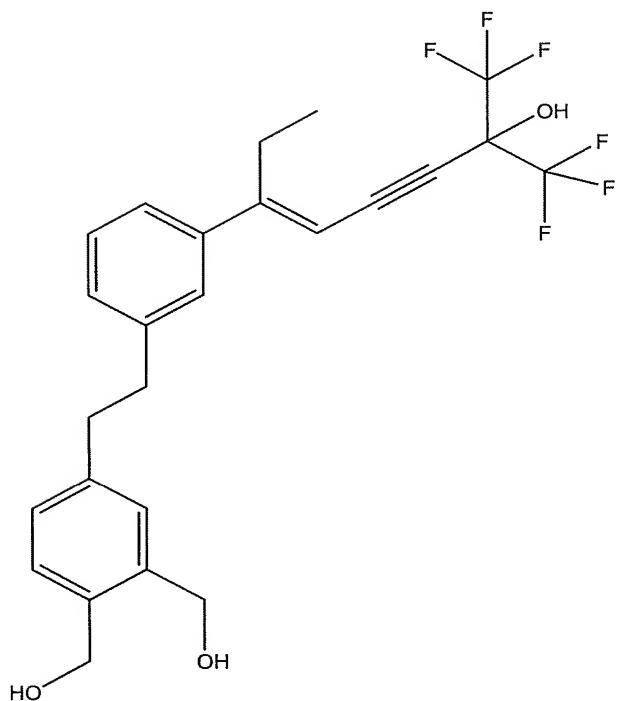
(E)-6-[3-(3,4-bis-hydroxymethylbenzyloxy)phenyl]-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-trifluoromethyloct-5-en-3-yn-2-ol,



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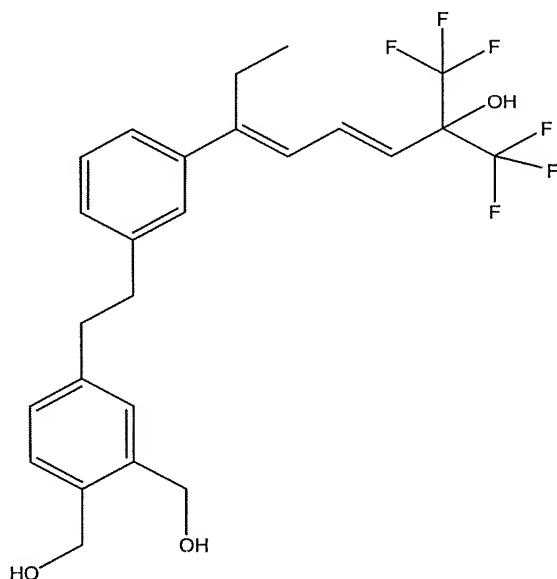


(E)-6-{3-[2-(3,4-bis-hydroxymethylphenyl)ethyl]-phenyl}-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-trifluoromethyloct-5-en-3-yn-2-ol,



and

(3E,5E)-6-{3-[2-(3,4-bis-hydroxymethylphenyl)-ethyl] phenyl}-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-trifluoromethyllocta-3,5-dien-2-ol,



the geometric isomers thereof and these compounds in which one or more of the hydroxyl functions are protected by a protective group -(C=O)-R, in which R is a

linear or branched alkyl radical having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, an aryl radical having from 6 to 10 carbon atoms, or an aralkyl radical having from 7 to 11 carbon atoms, the aryl radical or the aralkyl radical optionally being mono- or disubstituted by a hydroxy group, an alkoxy radical having from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, a halogen atom, a nitro function or by an amino function, and mixtures thereof.

2. (Previously Presented) The compound as defined by Claim 1, comprising at least one protective group -(C=O)-R, in which R is a methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl or hexyl radical.

3. (Previously Presented) The compound as defined by Claim 1, comprising at least one protective group -(C=O)-R, in which R is a phenyl or naphthyl radical.

4. (Previously Presented) The compound as defined by Claim 1, comprising at least one protective group -(C=O)-R, in which R is a benzyl or methylnaphthyl radical.

5. (Previously Presented) The compound as defined by Claim 1, comprising at least one protective group -(C=O)-R, in which R is a fluorine, bromine or chlorine atom.

6. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective cell proliferation and differentiation affecting amount of at least one compound as defined by Claim 1, ~~formulated into a pharmaceutically acceptable support therefor.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The pharmaceutical composition as defined by Claim 6, further comprising at least one of a retinoid, a corticosteroid, an estrogen, an antioxidant, an α -hydroxy acid, a β -hydroxy acid, an α -keto acid or derivative a salt, an amide or an ester thereof, an ion channel blocker, an immune system affecting active agent, or a mixture thereof.

8. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition as defined by Claim 6, said at least one compound comprising from 0.0001% to 5% by weight thereof.

9. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition as defined by Claim 6, formulated as tablets, capsules, a syrup, a suspension, a powder, granules, an emulsion, micropheres, nanospheres, controlled release lipid vesicles or polymers, a solution, a salve, a cream, a milk, an ointment, a lotion, a gel, a spray, or a swab.

10-33. (Cancelled)

34. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of Claim 1 and at least one member selected from the group consisting of 2-hydroxypropylcyclodextrin, acetylated monoglycerides, beta-cyclodextrin, butylhydrotoluene, butylhydroxyanisole, butylhydroxytoluene, carboxyvinyl polymer, cetostearyl alcohol, cetyl alcohol, cotton oil, egg phospholipid, ethanol, ethyl oleate, ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid disodium salt, glycerol, glycerol monostearate, glycocholic acid, hydroxypropylcellulose, lactic acid, lactose, lanolin, lecithin, liquid petroleum jelly, magnesium stearate, maize starch, methyl benzoate, methyl parahydroxybenzoate, microcrystalline cellulose, mixture of caprylic-capric triglycerides, mixture of glyceryl mono- and distearate, mixture of stearates of glycerol and polyethylene glycol, olive oil, PEG 50 stearate, perhydrosqualene, Pluronic F-108, polyethylene glycol, polyoxyethylene stearate, pregelatinized starch, preservative, propyl parahydroxybenzoate, propylene glycol, sesame oil, shea butter, sodium saccharinate, sorbitan monolaurate polyoxyethylenated with ethylene oxide, sorbitol, soya lecithin, soya oil, stone oil polyoxyethylenated with ethylene oxide, triethanolamine, water and white petroleum jelly.